

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND URBAN POLICY**

**Thursday, May 11, 2006**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Room 307, House Office Building**

**Chair Stakoe** called the Standing Committee on Local Government and Urban Policy to order.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Reps. Stakoe, Elsenheimer, Robertson, Nitz, Baxter, Schuitmaker, Accavitti, Donigan, Vagnozzi, Virgil Smith (10/11)

**MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED:** Rep. Van Regenmorter (1/11)

**Representative Nitz**, supported by **Representative Robertson**, moved to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on May 4, 2006. Hearing no objection, the **motion prevailed** with unanimous consent.

The **Chair** laid **House Bill 5529** before the committee.

HB 5529 Jones	Local government; public services; compensation rate for board members who attend meetings; modify.
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**Representative Jones** explained the intent of the bill.

**Martha Halsey**, representing Benton Township, testified in **support** of the bill.

**Bill Anderson**, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified in **support** of the bill.

**Representative Nitz**, supported by **Representative Accavitti**, moved to report **House Bill 5529** with recommendation.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**YEAS:** Reps. Stakoe, Elsenheimer, Robertson, Nitz, Baxter, Schuitmaker, Accavitti, Donigan, Vagnozzi, Virgil Smith (10/11)

**NAYS:** None (0/11)

**PASS:** None (0/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

The **Chair** laid **House Bill 5718** before the committee.

HB 5718 Shaffer	Local government; financing; per capita distribution of funds to local municipalities; allow.
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**Representative Shaffer** explained the intent of the bill and a proposed **Substitute (H-2)**, and answered questions.

**Bill Anderson**, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified in **support** of the bill and the proposed **Substitute (H-2)**, and answered questions.

**Tom Hickson**, representing the Michigan Municipal League, was called to the testimony table to answer questions.

**Representative Robertson**, supported by **Representative Vagnozzi**, moved to excuse absent members. Hearing no objection, the **Chair** excused **Representative Van Regenmorter**.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **10:10 a.m.**

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**Representative John Stakoe, Chair**

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